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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

REF: (A) STATE 67507, (B) TEL AVIV 5602

1. MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND TOURISM HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN OBTAINING ANY DETAILS AVAILABLE AS TO WHY SOME ISRAELI EXPORTS TO U.S. ELIGIBLE FOR GSP TREATMENT FAILED TO RECEIVE SUCH TREATMENT. ACCORDING TO STATISTICS CITED REFTEL A, A TOTAL OF \$18.149 MILLION OF EXPORTS ELIGIBLE IN 1976 DID NOT RECEIVE GSP TREATMENT (SO-CALLED A CATEGORY), SLIGHTLY MORE THAN 10 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF GOODS THAT BENEFITED FROM GSP DURING ITS FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION. COMATT POINTED OUT TO GOI OFFICIALS THAT REASONS FOR NON-GSP TREATMENT EITHER HAD TO DO WITH INCORRECT DOCUMENTATION OR WITH FAILURE TO MEET VALUE ADDED REQUIREMENTS; THAT TWO CATEGORIES, TSUS 67652 AND TSUS 69460, ACCOUNTED FOR APPROXIMATELY \$8.8 MILLION OF TOTAL OF \$18 MILLION; AND THAT HE DID NOT KNOW WHETHER U.S. CUSTOMS COULD PROVIDE DETAILS AS REQUESTED.

2. FOLLOWING IS LIST FORWARDED BY MINISTRY OFFICIALS:

TSUS # VALUE NOT RECEIVING GSP BENEFIT

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40515	154,062
42510	188,727
43950	106,857
52035	147,808
64653	348,750
66025	199,440
66054	620,535

66250	180,150
66410	274,979
67615	300,000
67652	1,288,790
69227	172,194
69460	7,558,456
71215	197,663
71249	611,603
74010	236,734
77251	219,750
M77460	125,768
79165	400,756

3. SINCE GOI WILL PROBABLY WANT TO DISCUSS THIS TOPIC
IN FORTHCOMING REVIEW OF FIRST YEAR OF GSP WITH USG
DELEGATION, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY DETAILS AS TO WHY
THE ABOVE QUANTITIES DID NOT QUALIFY FOR GSP TREATMENT
FOR TRANSMITTAL TO MINISTRY OFFICIAL.
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